

REMARKS


Rejection under 35 USC 102(a):

Claims 4, 6, 13, 17, 21, 25 and 28-30 have been rejected under 35 USC 102(a) as anticipated by a reference by Tornoe et al., (*J. Org. Chem.*, **67** (9), 3057-3064, April 2, 2002). Applicant traverses this basis for rejection. Enclosed herewith is an Inventor's Declaration under 37 CFR 1.131 swearing around this reference. Applicant requests that this basis for rejection be withdrawn.

Summary:

Claims 1-30 are pending. Claims 1-3, 8-12, 15-16, 23-24, and 26-27 have been allowed. Claims 4, 6, 13, 17, 21, 25 and 28-30 have been rejected under 35 USC 102(a) as anticipated. Claims 5, 7, 14, 18-20 and 22 have been objected to as depending from a rejected claim. The enclosed Inventor's Declaration under 37 CFR 1.131, obviates the 102(a) novelty rejection of 4, 6, 13, 17, 21, 25 and 28-30. Withdrawal of this rejection will obviate the objection with respect to 5, 7, 14, 18-20 and 22. Allowance of all claims, i.e., claims 1-30, is respectfully requested.

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